

## REMARKS

The present response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2006, which set a one-month period for response, making a response due by February 4, 2006.

Claims 1-6 are pending in this application.

In the latest Office Action, the reply filed on October 24, 2005 was objected to as not fully response because a species was not specifically elected. In the Election Requirement dated September 28, 2005, the Applicants were required to elect a single species for prosecution on the merits, specifically, the embodiment described beginning with the second paragraph on page 8 and ending with the paragraph ending on the top of page 11 as well as in the second paragraph on page 13; the second embodiment as described beginning with the second paragraph on page 11 and ending with the last paragraph on page 12 as well as in the second paragraph on page 13; and the third embodiment as described in the first two paragraphs on page 13.

The Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the species described beginning with the second paragraph on page 8 and ending with the paragraph ending on the top of page 11 as well as in the second paragraph on page 13 and recited in claims 1-2 and 4-6. This election is traversed for the reasons set forth in the Applicants' reply of October 24, 2005.

Based on the grounds for traversal made in the October 24, 2005 response, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the election

requirement and substantive review of all of claims 1-6 in the present application.

If any further issues remain to be resolved prior to this substantive review, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call to discuss these matters.

Respectfully submitted,



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